

to be found at Kom Ombus, must have required the labor of thousands of men. Instruments of iron and steel were then unknown, all their exquisite sculpture was performed with copper tools; the tempering of this metal is now a lost art. The allusion to Shem, and Japheth in the July number, and to O. J. Samsøe in the August number, do not throw much light upon the history of those personages. It was not our intention to give the biography of O. J. Samsøe; our object was to give an idea of the good sense and taste of the citizens of Copenhagen, with a brief description of their beautiful cemetery, and the time and circumstances which led to its establishment.

We have received some fine original pieces, too late for this month. The music was unavoidably omitted last month, owing to the absence of our musical compositor. The pattern for crochet work is entirely new, and will be much liked. Such is the demand for these articles, that Mrs. Walton finds it difficult to prepare them fast enough. We could hardly get one long enough for Mr. Welch to take a copy for the engraving. Extra patterns with description can be had at the Berlin Wool Rooms, Great St. James Street, for 3d each, or 2s 6d per dozen.

As all connected with this Magazine must suffer when the character of the publisher is attacked unjustly, we feel it our duty to put forth an effort to vindicate his rights, and assure all who read the "*Maple Leaf*," that the publisher acted in good faith towards the present proprietors of the "*Snow Drop*" and was not only very careful of their feelings, but most anxious to bring about an amicable arrangement.

In corroboration of our opinion we take the following postscript from his letter on the subject, No. 2, and extracts from letters No. 3, and 4, bearing their respective dates, April 29, 1852:—"If in the letter I have sent, there is anything that gives you pain, I beg you to believe that it was unintentional on my part. If I know myself, I desire to be very careful of the feelings of others, especially of the feelings of the ladies. However, it contains suggestions which I felt it my privilege, as publisher to make." Letter, No. 3, May 14, "Since completing the year for the *Agricultural Journal*, I have devoted my means and efforts to the '*Snow Drop*,' with the full intention of continuing my labors in the same laudable enterprise, and I shall be very sorry to place myself in the attitude of an opponent to any plan of your own." Letter, No. 4, May 17th:—"If I could have anticipated your wishes, in relation to a future arrangement, I might have given you perfect satisfaction. I have always had a careful regard to your sensitive nature, and have labored most assiduously to secure your approval, not only, but to do all consistently in my power to aid your pecuniary interest."

We refer our readers to the Publisher's letter, which appears on the cover of this number, and to his remarks on the cover of the September number, and trust they may remove any unfavorable impression.

